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In the Specification:

Paragraph 0035, delete entire paragraph.

Paragraph 0062, delete entire paragraph.

Paragraph 0066, delete the last sentence: Other advantages of the third embodiment include elimination of the cover plate assembly, which saves cost and volume; and simplified explosive loading by moving the input build-up charges in-plane. The third embodiment is also capable of initiating and propagating a deflagration output (squib type function). In the third embodiment, the output housing 52 replaces base 14 and clamping hardware 36 and the device enables casting of all explosive elements since each explosive cavity can be closed on all but a loading side. With suitable rearrangement, the bridge element can be deposited in position on the top of 51 and beneath 60, the 60 explosive can be replaced by the 21 explosive and 34, 20, and 60 can be eliminated, supplying further simplification and reduction of components/processes. ~~In addition, the embodiment of Figures 7a and 7b can be modified in a manner analogous to the modification of the second embodiment shown in Figure 6d.~~